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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the references listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 be made of record.

The following references were cited in corresponding European Patent Application No. 00122454.2-2119, and characterized in the European Search Report, dated July 12, 2002, attached herewith. No further elaboration is believed necessary. Copies of the references are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

The fee set forth under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is attached.

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